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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants wish to disclose the materials listed on the attached form PTO SB/08 and listed below which the Examiner may find relevant to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/769,201 filed January 24, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,620,353, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/399,524, filed September 20, 1999, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,190,586, which is a continuation of Serial No. 09/139,923 filed August 26, 1998, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,954,601, which is a division of Serial No. 08/710,411 filed September 17, 1996, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,800,757, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/220,906 filed March 31, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,591,384.

In accordance with MPEP §2001.06(b) and (c), Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the fact that U.S. Patent Nos. 5,591, 384 and 5,637,329 were the subject of litigation Civil Action No. C-99---204 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Western Division. The litigation was settled with both defendants, and information regarding the litigation may be found in the parent application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below should the Examiner desire any further information regarding the license arrangement or the details of the settlement between the Plaintiff or any of the Defendants.

The Examiner may find the following references relevant and he is respectfully requested to carefully consider all cited art, which is being cited for completeness. Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of these materials are not required as they have previously been submitted in the parent application.

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U.S. Patent No. 5,540,495, issued to Pickel, on July 30, 1996, for an Injection Assembly for an Injection Molding Machine.

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